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September 26 2007

Jessica M. Green Public Involvement Coordinator H.W. Lochner, Inc. 310 East 4500 South, Suite 600 Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

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- 3. Highland is also concerned that not enough analysis has been given to examining transportation routes north of SR92 that might serve to mitigate the need to expand SR 92 through Highland and destroy homes and landscaping.
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made with developers and consequently they have certain entitlements. All entitlements have economic value if you can condemn a home to expand a road; you should be able to condemn an access to eliminate a light.

Highland City would appreciate your most prompt response to these questions and concerns so that they can be discussed at our next meeting on Monday October 1, 2007.

Sincerely,

Barry Edwards City Administrator

cc: Mayor Jay Franson
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Rep. John Dougall
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Mayor Hunt Willoughby
Mayor Mike McGee
Mayor Howard Johnson



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October 17, 2007

Jessica M. Green Public Involvement Coordinator H.W. Lochner, Inc. 310 East 4500 South, Suite 600 Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

Dear Ms. Green,

Highland City forwarded concerns regarding the proposal for SR 92 in a letter dated September 26, 2007. A commitment was made that a meeting would take place with Highland City in order to discuss those issues and concerns.

To date we have not received a response back regarding scheduling of that meeting. Highland City Council and Staff will be holding a Transportation open house for its residents on October 30, 2007. During this open house we will be discussing transportation issues throughout the city which will include the SR92 project.

As a city that will be greatly impacted by the changes made to SR92 we would appreciate your most prompt response in scheduling a meeting with Highland City preferably prior to our open house on the 30th to discuss the questions and concerns.

Sincerely

Barry Edwards
City Administrator

cc: Mayor Jay W. Franson

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Pioneers Past and Present

March 20, 2008

Dan Avila Deputy SR 92 Project Manager 3098 W Executive Parkway Lehi, UT 84043

RE: SR 92 Construction

Dear Mr. Avila.

I appreciate our discussion of SR 92 last Friday. The information was very helpful. As you know I have some concerns with the road as presently planned. They are:

- 1. Traffic for the grade separated detail (Aug 14 2007) was 25,000 to 35,000 vehicles more per day than the express lane detail with a max of 5700 vehicles per hour. Where these lost vehicles go in the present detail has never been adequately explained.
- 2. The data indicated that there would be about 25,000 (Feb 2008) or 33,000 (Aug 2007) vehicles on express lanes, which seems high for a two lane road.
- 3. There is no access for Lehi residents to the express lanes between I-15 and 1200 E.
- 4. Emergency Access on this closed 2 lane road will be very difficult in a storm such as we had on February 13, 2008.
- 5. The noise with the elevated road in the eastern half will be accentuated. As you know, noise along this highway is a major concern of the Lehi residents in the area.
- 6. You have done a good job of meeting the needs of our neighbors to the east, but I believe the needs of Lehi residents have not been adequately met.
- 7. It costs so much to build a highway lane, so I don't think a 6 lane grade separate express way will cost much if any more to build than this spread out 6 lane system, and it would require less land.
- 8. The present detail indicated you went to great effort not to disturb the 5' aqueduct. We need that same effort to accommodate the needs of the local citizens, which accommodation will have little or no affect on the pipe.

This road will cost a fortune and have to serve us a long time. Please, let's get it right the first time. I don't think we are quite there yet.

Thanks so much for listening to me and discussing this very important part of our infrastructure.

Sincerely,

Mayor Howard H. Johnson
Lehi City

Lehi City



March 27, 2007

Mr. Dan Avila SR 92 Deputy Project Manager 3098 W Executive Parkway Lehi, UT 84043

RE: SR 92 Expansion

Dear Mr. Avila,

This letter is a continuation of my letter dated March 20, 2008 adding to my concerns regarding the present detail of SR 92.

UDOT's letter of February 28, 2007 states the year 2030 traffic forecast at the SR 92 I-15 intersection is "among the highest in Utah" and suggests a new interchange north of SR 92. This much needed interchange will not be effective unless it ties to the west (Mtn View Corridor), so that vehicles from Traverse Mountain development are not forced onto I-15, which will still be over loaded after expansion.

The UDOT report "Lesson Learned" from the February 13, 2008 blizzard states, "Maintain one lane in each direction open on priority 1 routes." SR 92 is certainly a "priority 1 route". If there is only one lane each way, how do you keep it open? The storm and the review clearly show the wisdom of needing multiple lanes each direction where possible. We are building a 6 lane road in 3 separate parts. I suggest they be put together, 3 lanes each way, for a much safer road. The blizzard also demonstrated the folly of no access points to the express way between I-15 and 1200 E.

The road as presently laid out inhibits the access to SR 92 at 1200 West. No access to SR 92 at this point, local road or expressway, is unacceptable.

Reading Highland City's letter of September 26, 2007, we are also disappointed that the grade separated alternative discussed on August 20, 2007 was not developed.

We are also concerned with the attitude expressed in item 5 of that letter. Lehi has a right to access SR 92 just as everyone else does. The present detail serves neither the cities to the east nor Lehi as well as it could. A 2 lane express way will not serve the cities to the east as it should (not enough capacity), and during storms like we had on February 13, it

could be a hazard. No access to the express way from I-15 to 1200 East, and no access at all at 1200 West is not acceptable.

Once again to reemphasize, I believe a 6 lane depressed express way would best serve Lehi and our sister communities.

I appreciate your efforts with the SR 92 expansion project and look forward to further discussion.

Sincerely,

Mayor Howard H. Johnson

cc: Mayor Jay Franson

Highland City Council

Representative John Dougall

Mayo Heber Thompson

Mayor Hunt Willoughby

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RESOLUTION NO. _ 5-6-2008C

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF CEDAR HILLS, UTAH, FOR THE PROPOSED STATE ROUTE 92 UPGRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, that most, if not all City of Cedar Hills residents are dependent on SR 92 for various transportation needs, including work, shopping, entertainment, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cedar Hills residents currently feel the strong need to alleviate over congestion on SR 92; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cedar Hills believes that this transportation corridor overcrowding has multiple negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cedar Hills is desirous that SR 92 (the major North East Utah County East/West Corridor) is safe, effective and free flowing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cedar Hills recognizes the current financial and otherwise support for this project from all affected North Utah County Cities and the State of Utah; and

WHEREAS, the lawfully elected City Council of the City of Cedar Hills, Utah, desires to formally communicate with all appropriate State of Utah officials (elected and/or appointed) the strong desire to have SR 92 immediately updated.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Cedar Hills, Utah as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cedar Hills formally states that this SR 92 road project is of paramount importance to our residents and strongly encourages and implores all with the financial ability, to immediately approve full funding for this project.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of May, 2008.

Michael C. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kim E. Holindrake, City Recorder



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May 8, 2008

Utah Transportation Commission Chairman, Vice Chairman & Commissioners 4501 South 2700 West - Box 141255 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-1255

Dear Transportation Commission Members,

Highland City would like to express its appreciation to the members of the SR# 92 development team who have been professional and creative in their efforts to find a design that meets the needs of the users of this important transportation corridor. The current concept of express lanes and arterial lanes at grade was the result of an iterative and collaborative process that involved positive participation by UDOT, Lochner, the cities, and many of our residents over hundreds of hours and numerous meetings. This process not only improved the design concepts but greatly reduced the estimated cost from previous concepts.

Highland City has supported and continues to support the results and the process which helped us arrive at this point. We are optimistic that there will yet be more creative ideas that will come out of the design build process that further add value to the roadway through cost effective construction techniques and design improvements.

The importance of SR # 92 will only be increased as it becomes a vital relief valve to motorists who will be looking for travel alternatives during the I-15 reconstruction and the inevitable congestion it will cause. It is, therefore very important that construction on SR#92 be commenced as soon as possible. We also request additional funding be provided so that the majority of improvements contemplated in the current design can be finished prior to the construction of I-15.

We recognize that there are many demands on the transportation funds in Utah and that you have a challenging job to allocate those funds in a manner that best meets the transportation needs of the motoring public. It is our hope that you will be able to see the creativity and wisdom of the design of this project, its importance to an efficient transportation system in North Utah county, and the truly remarkable example of how a community of cities, citizens, and professionals can come together in the spirit of cooperation to find a solution to a very complex problem.

Consequently, we urge you to be for this project.	e very generous in your allocation of additional funds
Sincerely,	
Mayor Jay W. Franson, PE	
Brian Brunson, City Council	Kathryn Schramm, City Council
Larry Mendenhall, City Council	Claudia Stillman, City Council
Brian Braithwaite, City Council	

Cc:

Mayor Johnson Mayor McGee Mayor Willoughby Mayor Thompson Representative Dougall Representative Frank Representative Jamison